



NORTH HAVEN NEWS

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Welcome to the June, 2022 edition of *North Haven News*. June is typically a busy month and this year is no exception. Congratulations to all of the North Haven Graduates, we wish you the best in the next phase of your journey!

Congratulations as well to North Haven's own Troy Remkus who recently was awarded scouting's highest rank of Eagle Scout. For his Eagle Scout project he raised funds to build and install artificial reefs and oyster beds under his family's dock in Genet Creek. We are proud of you Troy!

This month's edition will recap the highlights from the May Village of North Haven Board of Trustee meeting, and previews agenda items of interest for the June Village Board Meeting. With the election taking place on June 21st and Mayor Jeffrey Sander stepping down after 9 years, the *North Haven Heritage Passage* this month will recap the history of those who have served as Mayor of North Haven.

Going forward, if you have any questions or if there are any other topics you would like to read about, please contact Terie Diat (Village Trustee) at tdiat@northhavenvillage.org.

Upcoming Board of Trustees Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, June 22nd at 5 p.m. at **Village Hall**. Please note the change in date from Tuesday to Wednesday due to the election. All residents are welcome, and encouraged to attend. The agenda for this meeting will be posted on our new website (northhavenny.us) under **Minutes and Agendas** the Friday before the meeting date.

Public Hearings Scheduled for June 22nd at 5 p.m.

- Proposed dock at 4 On the Bluff.
- New Local Law Chapter 35 – Virtual Meeting Participation
 - ○ A local law authorizing the Village Board of Trustees to use videoconferencing technology to participate in public meetings. Please view the local law [HERE](#).
 - ○ This local law will enable all Village Board meetings for the Board of Trustees, as well as the Planning, ARB and ZBA Board meetings to be conducted as hybrid meetings, both in Village Hall and via zoom to encourage greater public participation.
 - ○ As a related update, the long-awaited audio/visual equipment to enable the hybrid zoom meetings has now been received, and installed in the meeting room at Village Hall, thanks to Trustee Claas Abraham.
- Review of the North Haven Village Annual Storm water Management Plan.

Village Updates:

Village Election – Tuesday, June 21st 12 p.m. – 9 p.m. Please Vote!

This year's election is for the position of Mayor for a two-year term, and for two Trustee positions for two-year terms.

Village Hall will be open for walk-in voting between the hours of 12 noon and 9:00 p.m.

An example of the ballot can be accessed [HERE](#).

Absentee Ballots

Applications for absentee ballots for the Village of North Haven General Election are available in Village Hall between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. or on our website www.northhavenny.us on the homepage under Forms or [HERE](#).

Please note the following important dates for filing an application for an absentee ballot for our Village Election:

- June 14th is the last date that the Village Clerk can receive applications for absentee ballots that have to be mailed to the recipient. (The Clerk must mail ballots to these individuals no later than June 15th).
- June 20th is the last date that an individual and or their agent can physically come to Village Hall to pick up an application for an absentee ballot. The ballot will be given to the individual and or their agent at that time. Absentee ballots given to those individuals or their agents must be returned to Village Hall no later than Tuesday, June 21st before 9:00 p.m.

Mayoral Candidate Debate

A debate was hosted by the Express News Group on June 7th with the candidates for Mayor. To access a recording of the debate please go to the home page of 27East.

Upcoming Village Hall Office Closures

Please note that the Village Hall Building Department office will be closed on Monday, June 20th for the Juneteenth holiday. The Clerk's office will be available on Monday June 20th for absentee ballots only. However,

the regularly scheduled Planning Board Meeting will take place at 4:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

The office at Village Hall will close early at 12 noon on June 21st for election day.

Effective June 28th through Labor Day, the Building Department will be closed to the public from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Tax Payments Now Available On-line

Residents may now pay their Village of North Haven property tax bills online at the new Village website - www.northhavenny.us See information on the Home Page under News & Notices. Payments can be made via Credit Card (fees apply) or via e-check (flat fee of \$1.75).

New Street Signs

I spy with my little eye....the new North Haven street signs and poles are popping up throughout the Village. They are blue with the North Haven Village seal and look sharp! If they haven't yet been installed on your public street corner, don't worry, they are coming. Thanks to Glenn Ficorilli for performing the installation.

Public Safety Awareness

As a reminder to residents, if you need to call 911 for an emergency, please inform the dispatcher that you live on *North Haven*. There are some street names and similar street names that are duplicated in neighboring Sag Harbor, Noyak, Bay Haven etc. so to avoid delays or confusion please be specific that you live in North Haven.

Water Quality Committee

The Village kicked off a new Water Quality Committee in May, with the objective to establish a plan to measure the water quality in our creeks, coves, ponds and bays, to define the types of pollutants that are prevalent and their primary causes and better define the actions that can be taken to address and prevent pollution. A significant objective will also be to raise community awareness of the importance of water quality initiatives and actions.

The Committee will be led by Trustee Terie Diat, with participation also from Mayor Jeff Sander, and residents Chris Remkus, Stephanie Joyce and Allison Scanlon. Activities and progress will be reported in this newsletter. Please stay tuned.

North Haven Sea Turtle Revealed

A ceremony and reception hosted by April Gornik was held on May 14th to reveal the new sea turtle at Village Hall. The New York Marine Rescue Center provided to the Village a 44" sculpture of a sea turtle that has been installed at Village Hall near the tennis courts. The sculpture was painted by local artists Rosy Hernandez and Melody Guini who did a great job! The project seeks to engage the public in the critical work to

save endangered sea turtles by providing education and selfie photos with artisan turtles in our waterfront towns. Thanks to Deputy Mayor Dianne Skilbred who led and organized the entire project. If you haven't met our new sea turtle yet, please stop by!

Thank You for the Donation!

Thank you to the anonymous donor of children's books for our little free library behind Village Hall! In our newsletter last month, we asked, and you very generously responded! We thank you and our children thank you! Additional donations of gently used children's books will still be gratefully accepted this month and can be dropped off at Village Hall. After June, for any donations please check first with Deputy Mayor Dianne Skilbred at dskilbred@northhavenvillage.org. Bring one, take one, from our little free library of children's books!

Updates from the May 17th Board of Trustee's Meeting:

Sea Scouts of America Presentation

Josh Belury, Skipper of Ship 908 made a presentation on behalf of the Sea Scouts of America program and Sea Scout Ship 908 which has traditionally performed a great deal of non-profit work with handicapped children. The Board of Trustees subsequently voted to grant a free mooring spot for 2022, as it has for many years, to the organization to facilitate and support their work with the scouts.

Lovelady Park Presentations

Many of you attended either the live or zoom presentations in May of what the Board and Trustee Fiore have put together as a first glance at what Lovelady Park could be. Your feedback has been very supportive! Phase 1 is the walking path, 2 is the clearing and replacement of the overgrowth just south of the pond, 3 is the same effort on the north side of the pond.

We have secured over \$100,000 of landscape donations-in-kind to clear the promenade and create the Alle -- the walking path. That work will continue as we sift through your comments, ideas and suggestions. We will present another scheme at the July Board of Trustees meeting. With that in mind, please don't hesitate to email Trustee Fiore your thoughts: cfiore@northhavenvillage.org. Thanks!

Schoolhouse/Playground Equipment Presentation

A presentation was made by Jessica VonHagn, Deanna Lattanzio and Deputy Mayor Dianne Skilbred, members of the School House Committee, requesting approval from the Board to purchase two new pieces of playground equipment. The equipment resembles playground equipment that would have been used by children in the era of the old school house and therefore is in keeping with the intent to open the old school house as a museum for school children and draw young children to the venue. In the subsequent working session on May 24th, the Board approved a resolution for \$13,250.20 for a contract with KOMPAN for the playground equipment to be charged against the Parks and Recreation

account.

Update on *Kick Ticks Out of North Haven*

Trustee Diat provided an update on the *Kick Ticks Out of North Haven* campaign that was launched on March 26th. Since then, 259 residents have consented to the Tick Management Program, and 124 residents have consented to the Deer Management Program. Soon, we will start following up with individual homeowners for consents that we are lacking in order to deploy new 4-poster units.

If you haven't already returned your consent forms, now is a GREAT time to do it! By clicking [HERE](#) and accessing the google forms on our website, it will take you less than 10 seconds to improve the health of your family, your pets and your neighborhood by preventing tick-borne diseases! We are leading the way with our innovative program right here in North Haven.

Additionally please read the May 19th article in the East Hampton Star by North Haven's Chris Gangemi reporting on the program [HERE](#).

With everyone's participation, **Together We Can Kick Ticks Out of North Haven.**

Resolutions Approved by the Board of Trustees:

- Approval of the tax warrant for the fiscal year 2022-2023 to receive and collect taxes in the sum of \$1,089,261 for the General Fund and \$49,500 for the Special Assessment – Leaf Pickup
- Approval of Satty, Levine & Ciacco, CPA's, P.C. to audit the financial statements of the Village for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2022 and for the additional testing of building department receipts
- Mass gathering permit for 39 Fresh Pond Road, on June 26, 2022
- Authorized advertisement of new Local Law to amend the code for open meeting procedures for videoconferencing technology to participate in public meetings

Other Discussions:

- The annual reorganization meeting will be held on July 5th at 10am.
- Public comment was heard regarding clean up required post the repaving of Ferry Road regarding tar on the traffic circle. A request was also made to consider closing off the end of Thistle Patch Road to traffic in order to curb speeding traffic. Deputy Mayor Skilbred was asked to investigate how to calm our Village traffic.

North Haven Heritage Passage

As Mayor Jeff Sander prepares to hand over the reins to a new leader, this month I will share the history of North Haven's Mayors over the years since incorporation in 1932.

Since North Haven was incorporated as a village in 1932, the governing board has been an elected village board comprised of a Mayor and four Trustees, all serving one or more two-year terms. Those who served as

Mayor of North Haven were:

Howard Dean -----1932-1945
Alfred Whittle -----1946-1947
Herbert Hildreth ----- 1948-1954
Harry Kinsey -----1955
Stanley Ryder -----1956-1965
Harold Dingee -----1966-1975
George Lawson -----1976-1977
Thomas Salb -----1978-1979
Dolores McNamara -----1980-1981
Lester Demler -----1982-1987
Jack Reiser -----1988-1991
Robert Ratcliffe -----1992-1997
Robert Reiser -----1998-2001
Laura Nolan ----- 2002-2012
Jeffrey Sander -----2013-2022

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